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- 1. In 1947 source began to feel stomach pains. He had to visit a doctor, and was thereafter under a doctor's care. In September 1948 the doctor recommended that he be examined by a "sanatorium commission" to try to get a travel requisition (putevka) to a sanatorium. In the autumn of 1948 he appeared before the commission in the rayon hospital in the village of Lekhta (N 64-25, E 33-58). Lobanov was the chief doctor at that time.
- 2. The findings of the commission were then sent by source to the KFSSR trade union for financial and bank functionaries in Petrozavodsk (N 61-49, E 34-20). At the same time he wrote that, in one way or snother, he must get a travel requisition as quickly as possible. Finally he received one in late May 1949, which was to the city of Riga, Riga Beach (Rizhskoye Vzmorye) Sanatorium, near Bolderaja. For the travel requisition, source had to pay in cash 30 percent of the cost of the requisition (about 350 rubles); besides, he had to pay the fare both ways. He bought a ticket direct from Sosnovets (N 64-27, E 34-29) to Riga; he does not recall the cost, but it was probably approximately 100 rubles.
- 3. Source left Sosnovets in the morning and arrived in Leningrad the next morning. As far as he remembers, the train for Riga left from the Warsaw (Varshava) railroad station. He took the streetcar to the station, but it turned out that there was no train to Riga that day, so he had to spend a night at a hotel in the vicinity of the Moscow railroad station. He slept in a common room and paid 10 rubles for 24 hours. The next day he got his ticket stamped at once

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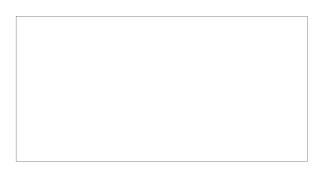
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and left for Riga that evening, arriving the next morning. Upon arrival, he got directly on the suburban train, for which he had already bought his ticket, costing three rubles for a distance of 17 to 20 kilometers. He remained at the sanatorium for 24 days.

- 4. The town of Bolderaja was very nice, with many trees and pretty, though small, houses. The streets were paved with asphalt. At the station there were some shops and a fine restaurant, but there was no evidence of any industry. The sanatorium was subordinate to the Ministry of Finance, USSR, and had at that time only about 150 patients. There were several sanatoriums in the town; the largest belonged to the trade union, and had about 500-600 rest and recreation cases.
- 5. There were three men in source's room. One of them was Aleksandrov (fnu), from the Ministry of Finance, RSFSR; the other was an old man, whose name source has forgotten, who worked in Moscow in the Ministry of Finance, USSR.
- 6. Source received electrotherapy and hydrotherapy, but the most important treatment was the way of living and the food. Every evening there were dancing and movies, and there were often concerts by artists from Riga.
- 7. The Baltic Sea is about 700 meters from the sanatorium. There are many sanatoriums along the fine Riga beach, and every day there were many people on the beach. On holidays, people from the city of Riga also come there.
- 8. When his cure was completed, source returned by the same route, leaving Riga in the evening, and arriving in Leningrad the next morning. That evening he left for Sosnovets, and arrived the following evening.



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